



CLAVERING NEWSLETTER

CLAVERING PARISH COUNCIL

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WELCOME. The good weather held for the Fete, though the same cannot be said for recent cricket matches! Although the Parish Council does not meet in August, the Clerk may still be contacted on matters. Please do bear in mind that his Clerical and RFO contracted hours are 45.5 per month, so he may not take your call at once, but he will respond to messages left - when he is next 'at his desk'. Enjoy the summer.

Deadline for next Newsletter 11th September 2015

Extra Council Meeting 22nd June 2015

The meeting was attended by 63 parishioners. The meeting was called in response to a request from "Hands off Clavering". The only item on the agenda was 'Clavering Parish Council to consider and determine their formal response to the **Gladman Development Appeal Inquiry**'. There was an extended public participation session. After Councillors' discussion it was resolved that Clavering Parish Council:

1. Support Hands off Clavering in Hands off Clavering's becoming a Rule 6 Party to the Planning Inquiry into the building of 42 houses on the Pelham Road and write a letter to that effect, after seeking advice from the Planning Department (Legal Section) of Uttlesford District Council;
2. Support Hands off Clavering with distribution of information, reading and research any statements which prepared must be in line with Clavering Parish Council's objections to the development and agreed with the Clerk before any documents are published;
3. Determines that it does **not** be a Joint Rule 6 party with Hands Off Clavering;
4. Ascertains and defines any liabilities, especially financial, it would undertake.

A Councillor agreed to write a researched report for a proposal to be put forward at the next Council Meeting on the financing of specific specialist advice for this Inquiry.

Council Meeting 13th July 2015

The meeting was attended by many parishioners, though only 4 remained for the full meeting.

The Clerk read out the resignation email of Peter Smith and the Chair responded.

Public Participation Session:

There was an extra 15 minutes for the public to speak. Responding to questions, the Council confirmed that the website issues are being resolved, that tenders have been sought for the cutting of Stickling and Lower Hill Green and that the ragwort at the allotments will be addressed. A parishioner requested the Council remind villagers that vegetation overhanging pavements effectively narrows the pavements while the large hole in the pavement at the Fox and Hounds and possible obstruction of a footpath were noted. Further rubbish was reported to have been dumped on Chalk Pit Lane on the Byway. A request was made to contact ECC Highways for a dropped kerb at The Bridges. Hands off Clavering informed the Council that £11,000 had been raised/pledged to date for their Rule 6 Inquiry work; a parishioner requested that Easement Reserves were not considered for the anticipated proposal on funding specialist advice. Colin Howland was thanked for his summer planting at Blacksmiths Corner.

Funding Specialist Advice ref. Gladman Inquiry: Regarding the proposal, Councillors sought further clarification to determine future benefit to the village. The Councillors resolved, after suspension of a standing order so as to permit the vote, that Easement Reserves would not be used for such funding. It was then resolved to pay a maximum of £3000 excl VAT (£2500 from general reserves, £500 from Community Budget) for professional fees incurred in determining the non-sustainability arguments to be put forward by the Planning Advisor.

Planning received

UTT/15/1651/HHF - Elmhurst Stortford Road Demolition of rear extension. Proposed single storey rear extension and loft conversion including two dormer windows to front elevation - **No Comments**

UTT/15/1850/HHF - 26 Skeins Way CB11 4PH -
Proposed single storey rear extension - **No Comments**

UTT/15/1921/FUL & UTT/15/1922/LB - Fox
and Hounds High Street -
Proposed replacement of extraction flue -
No Comments

Decisions made by UDC:

UTT/15/1184/HHF - Hill Cottage Middle Street
- Demolish existing garage and replace with new
single garage with home office above -**Approve
with Conditions**

UTT/15/1268/HHF - Spa Cottage Sheepcote
Green - Demolition of rear porch. First floor rear
dormer extension. - **Approve with conditions**

UTT/15/1136/HHF- 6 Oxleys Close - Proposed
Rear Conservatory. - **Approve with conditions**

UTT/15/0699/OP - Land at Ashcroft Wicken
Road -Outline application with some matters
reserved for the erection of 1no dwelling -**Refuse.**

New Parish Notice Board: Thanks were given to Cllr
Carter for his work in installing this.

Bus Shelter: Councillors met with ECC and are
awaiting a further site visit by ECC on the sight lines.

The Review of Risk Assessment: Moved to
September Meeting

Council Minutes and details of village societies
together with forthcoming events can be found on
our village website: www.claveringvillage.org.uk

Draft Council Minutes are posted on the PC Board
**Date of next full Parish Council meeting: Monday
14th September 2015 at 7.30pm at the Village
Hall. All welcome.** The Agenda can be found in the
week before the Meeting on the Parish Council's
notice board, by the Post Box at Clavering Shop and
the village website.

Clavering Rainfall - June

June was another dry month with 13.1mm of rain.
The wettest day was the 12th: 4.5mm fell overnight 12/13th.
We had 21 dry days.

Brian Barrow

!! WELL DONE !!

Kevin Money, our Parish Clerk has
passed his exams.

He now holds the Certificate in
Local Council Administration
(PG 2013)

Gentle Reminders

Do you have a Public Right of Way across or on the
boundary of your land?

It would be appreciated if you could spend half an hour
cutting back overgrowth from your garden and keeping the
footpath/bridleway clear.

Similarly, garden hedges and shrubs seem to grow through
the night to encroach on pavements, often sending out
stray brambles! Please could we all be mindful of those
who use the pavements and ensure that they are not
forced to walk in the road. Thank you

Essex County Council Road Closure

Temporary Closure of a section of
Plantation Hill from its junction with
Middle St in a westerly direction for a
distance of approximately 250m to its
junction with Cock Lane.

Closure scheduled to commence 3rd
August 2015 for five days or where
appropriate signs are showing and
weather permitting.

Access for emergency service vehicles
and pedestrians will be maintained.

Uttlesford's Highway Rangers

Please do not forget that if you have concerns about grass/vegetation encroaching on
pavements, overgrown street signs, street signs in need of cleaning/repair, do contact the
Clerk so that he may call out the Rangers to carry out the work required. The Rangers will
only respond to requests from Parish Clerks - not from the public or even councillors!

CLAVERING OPEN GARDENS

Saturday 1st August 1 pm - 6 pm

Circuit of small gardens in the village centre with many interesting features
Plants for sale - Tea & Cakes

£5 ticket admits to all (10 or more) open gardens

Enquiries: mrsjacquelinecooper@gmail.com

All proceeds to Hands off Clavering

National Gardens Scheme

The Gardens at Deers will be open

30th August (August Bank Holiday Sunday)
from 2-5pm.

Twenty five percent (25%) of the takings will
be donated to **Clavering Jubilee Field**
so please come along and support both these
charities.

Admission £5 per adult - children free.

Teas and home made cakes will be on sale.

Come and enjoy a wildlife oasis

Green Waste Lorry 2015

Every other Saturday at 10.15am to
11.15am between the Village and the Mills

25th July ~ 8th & 22nd August

5th & 19th September

3rd, 17th & 31st October

14th & 28th November

12th December

Mobile Library

The mobile library will be in Clavering on:

21st July, 4th and 8th August.

Clavering Mills - 10.20am -10.35am

Clavering School Drive - 10:40 am to 11:00 am;

United Reform Church - 11:20 am to 11:35 am.

Countryside Group

Join us in the 'Big Butterfly Count' ~ 17th July to 9th August ~

Why count butterflies? Well, butterflies react very quickly to change in their environment
so they are excellent biodiversity indicators.

How to take part? Simply count butterflies in your garden, in a park,- anywhere! - for 15
minutes during bright and preferably sunny weather and then report your findings.

Log onto www.bigbutterflycount.org for more information, including an identification chart
and details of a smartphone app.

Clavering Bowls Club holds an informal Roll up and Practice at 6.00 pm on **Monday** evenings.
Anyone who wants to try bowling is welcome. Just turn up at about 6 pm - all you need is a pair of
flat sandals or plimsolls (not trainers); bowls provided. Refreshments are normally available.

Jubilee Field : Thank you to all who supported our Cake Stall at the Fete - we made just over £300. Work has been recently carried out to effect small repairs on the Adventure Playground and RoSPA have carried out an inspection. The aerial runway ramp is being repaired asap. It has been noted that some logs - usually left on the ground for mini-beast habitats - have been thrown into the river. A volunteer will now need to clear these as, when we have heavy rains, the logs are carried down and inevitably get stuck exiting the Dick Ball Meadow - causing floods along the High Street. Continuing our fundraising efforts to keep the Field in use, our next event will be:

Saturday 19th September: Car Boot Sale on the Field.

Contact charlottebalaam@yahoo.com for more information and to book your pitch.

Clavering Cricket Club. The season continues with wins against Ashdon and Takeley. Swards End could not raise a team, while the match against Woodcutters was deemed a 'winning draw' as torrential rain stopped play with our needing 29 runs off 17 overs, and we had 6 wickets in hand!

July 19th Stocking Pelham Aug 2nd Thaxted Aug 16th Hatfield Heath Sept 6th Furneux Pelham

July 26th Flycatchers Aug 9th Sheering Aug 30th Club Game Sept 13th Wendens Ambo

All games are at home : new players and spectators welcomed.

Vice Presidents Tea: This will take place during the Sheering game and we look forward to welcoming all those who support us as Vice Presidents.

Coming Soon: Cricket Club Annual Quiz with Fish&Chips Supper and Bar. Friday 4th September 7.30pm in the Village Hall. All Welcome! Ben Gill 01799 550212

Could you be the one to help Clavering Parish Council achieve its aims?

Do you feel that you can serve your local community in this respect?



We currently have four vacant seats – would you consider joining us?

For more information contact the Clerk or the Chair

YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

Chair: Stephanie Gill: 550212, **Vice Chair:** Rebecca Stanford; 550668

Councillors: Brian Barrow; 550527, Stuart Boardman; 550943, Richard Carter: 550364
Ron Couchman; 550006, Mike Patmore 550450.

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